MESSRS. HOSAKOPPA KRISHNA RAO, KOPPA TALUK AND MEER MAHOMED, TARIKERE TALUK.—

Q.—39. Will the Government be pleased to state the amount of additional taxation (in figures) imposed by Government and Local bodies under different heads including land revenue and re-settlements since 1919 and the percentages of increase or decrease as the case may be in each head in the amount of taxes in the year 1912?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, REVENUE DEPARTMENT.—

A.—The following is the demand under land revenue, mohatarfa and income-tax :—

Year	Land Revenue	Mohatarfa	Income-tax
(1) 1911-12 ...	104,42,816	2,72,161	.....
(2) 1919-20 ...	111,31,875	2,44,770	.....
(3) 1920-21 ...	112,24,689	2,32,437	10,32,952
(4) 1921-22 ...	113,75,863	2,32,225	17,85,469
(5) 1922-23 ...	119,69,873	2,38,983	18,32,845
Difference between (1) and (5)	15,27,057 (a) 8% increase	33,178 (b) 8% decrease	

(*a*) The increase in Land Revenue due to Revenue Settlements is 5 lakhs and the balance is due to bringing additional lands under cultivation, to better realisations by sale of unoccupied lands, amarai, etc.

(*b*) The fall in demand is due to the abolition of oil-mill tax and the transfer of mohatarfa to District Funds in villages converted into Unions and Panchayets, the accounts of which are separately maintained under the Local Self-Government Scheme, etc. The fall is about 8 per cent as compared with the demand for 1911-12.

Information regarding additional taxation imposed by Local Bodies is not readily available. Statements are being prepared and will be furnished to the members as soon as they are ready.

MESSRS. VIRABHADRAPPA AND SATI HALAPPA, CHITALDRUG.—

Q.—40. (*a*) How many mutts, temples and *chattrams* under the control of the Muzrai Department are in the State and to what communities do they belong?

(*b*) How much annual grant is made by Government for the above institutions during the current year?

(*c*) How much of the income derived from these several institutions have not been utilised for those institutions and why?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, REVENUE DEPARTMENT.—

A.—(*a*) There are 55 Hindu Mutts in the State, which are recognised by the Muzrai Department. Information regarding the number of temples (which is very large) is not readily available. It is not possible to classify the Mutts, *chattrams* and temples according to the communities to which they belong.

		Rs.	a.	p.
(*b*) Chattrams	..	60,218	0	0
Temples	..	1,25,364	0	0
Mutts	..	60,118	0	0
Palace Institutions	..	55,182	0	0

(*c*) The income derived from the several institutions is being generally utilised for the benefit of the institutions themselves.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. Veerabhadrappa of Chitaldrug.

With reference to the reply of Government to the Interpellation, that it is not possible to classify the mutts, chattrams and temples according to the communities to which they belong, will the Government be pleased to say why such classification is not possible?

Second Member of Council.

There are too many of these mutts, chattrams and temples and some of them belong to more than one community. The object of the question is not also clear whether the member wants the classification according to the communities to which the members of the management of each institution belong, or those to which the archaks belong, or those of the disciples coming to such institution. If instead of such detailed classification, the member wants information under the heads

Hindu, Mahomedan, or Christian, the same will be furnished as early as possible.

Mr. N. G. Sanjiviah.

Will the Government be pleased to state whether the expenditure is met from the Muzrai Funds?

Dewan.

That is a new question altogether and does not arise from the answer to the Interpellation.

MR. SITARAMAIYA, HIRIYUR.—

Q.—41. What prevented the issue of orders till now on the resolution that was passed in the meeting of the Chitaldrug District Board a year and a half ago to the effect that a representation should be made to Government for the abolition of railway cess?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LOCAL AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—The District Boards were informed on the 29th March 1924, that the proposal to defer the levy of railway cess in the Tumkur and Chitaldrug Districts cannot be sanctioned as railway projects which will benefit these districts are under the consideration of Government.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. Sitaramiya.

With reference to the answer given by Government that the District Boards were informed that their proposal to defer the levy of railway cess could not be sanctioned for the reasons given, will the Government be pleased to state whether such an order does not amount to compelling the District Boards to levy the cess and whether such compulsion is justified? Cannot the Boards which levy the cess also abolish it at their option?

Dewan.

That is not a supplementary question.